

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Revenue Department – Allegation of corruption against Sri Karanam Satyanarayana, worked as Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district –Sanction of Prosecution in a Court of law under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.718

Dt.05-6-2008

ORDER:

Whereas Sri Karanam Satyanarayana, S/o K.Raghuram Murthy, aged 52 years, worked as Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district, from 8-2-2007 to 13-8-2007 and as such by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of public servant as defined under section 2(c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988).

And whereas, it is alleged that Sri S.K.Mastan Vali, S/o S.K.Hasan R/o U.Kothapalli(Village), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district the complainant, is eking his livelihood by doing cultivation and also doing mason work(i.e. Polish stones flooring work). Sri S.K.Mastan Vali is the younger one of the three brothers. His father had written a "Will" showing 5 acres of dry land in Sy.No.350 of U.Kothapalli village of Dhone Mandal on his name and the same was registered on 26-7-2006. On that Sri S.K.Mastan Vali had put a petition in the month of May, 2007 to the Tahsildar, Dhone Mandal requesting to enter above property in his name in the pattadar pass book, in tiStle deed book and issue a copy of adangal extract. On the same day the Tahsildar endorsed the same to Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer. After that Sri S.K.Mastan Vali approached Sri K.Satyanarayana and requested him to enter his name in the pattadar pass book and issue a copy of adangal extract for which Sri K.Satyanarayana demanded Rs.30,000/- as bribe, otherwise he would not do the work of Sri S.K.Mastan Vali. On that Sri S.K.Mastan Vali met several times and requested Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer that he was unable to pay such a huge amount as he hailed from a poor family. But Sri K.Satyanarayana did not hear Sri S.K.Mastan Vali's requests. On 10-8-2007 again Sri S.K.Mastan Vali met Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village

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Revenue Officer and requested him to do the work pending from three months and reluctantly he agreed to pay the bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- to Sri K.Satyanarayana for which he agreed and told Sri S.K.Mastan Vali to come along with the bribe amount of Rs.20,000/- on 13-8-2007;

And whereas, Sri S.K.Mastan Vali was not willing to pay the said demanded amount of Rs.20,000/- to Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, U. Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district and on 10-8-2007 at 3.00 P.M. he came to Anti Corruption Bureau Officer, Kurnool and lodged a written complaint before the Inspector, Anti Corruption Bureau and requested to take necessary action against Sri K.Satyanarayana. After due verification on 13-8-2007 at 11.00 AM, Sri T.S.Ravi Kumar, Inspector of Police, Anti Corruption Bureau, Kurnool registered the complaint as a case in Cr.No.8/RCT-KUR/2007 under section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988) and took up investigation;

And whereas it is further alleged that during the course of trap on 13-8-2007 at about 5.30 P.M. the complainant Sri S.K.Mastan Vali entered into the office of the Village Revenue Officer and met Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer of U.Kothapally village. Then Sri K.Satyanarayana after ascertaining that the complainant brought the demanded bribe amount of Rs.20,000/-, demanded and accepted the bribe of Rs.20,000/- from Sri S.K.Mastan Vali with his right hand and counted with both hands and kept the same in his left side pant pocket. When the both hand fingers of Sri K.Satyanarayana were subjected to phenolphthalein test, they yielded positive result and inner lining wash of left side pant pocket of Sri K.Satyanarayana yielded positive result. The currency notes of Rs.20,000/- were recovered from possession of Sri K.Satyanarayana. The currency note numbers and denomination mentioned in the pre-trap proceedings were tallied. All the relevant files and the material objects were seized under cover of post trap proceedings;

And whereas, the said acts of Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district, constitute the offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section 2 of section 13 read with clause(d) of sub-section(1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988);

And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district from Government service, after fully and carefully examining the material placed before them in respect of the said allegations and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case consider that the above said Sri K.Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(V), Dhone Mandal,

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Kurnool district should be prosecuted in a court of law for the aforesaid offences;

Now, therefore in exercise of the powers conferred under clause(b) of sub section (1) of section 19 of the Prevention of corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh, do hereby accord sanction for prosecution of the said Sri Karanam Satyanarayana, Village Revenue Officer, U.Kothapalli(Village), Dhone Mandal, Kurnool district for the aforesaid offences punishable under section 7 and sub section (2) of section 13 read with clause(d) of sub section(1) of section 13 of the Prevention of corruption Act, 1988(Central Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under the provisions of law for the time being in force in respect of the aforesaid acts for taking cognizance of the offence by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.SUDHIR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General
Anti Corruption Bureau
A.P., Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER